Sri D. DEVARAJ URS.—Is it not possible for Government to furnish that information ? If we sort out the applications we can easily know the number of persons who have applied. I want to know whether Government is able to supply that information.

Mr. SPEAKER.—You can get that information from his chamber.

Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN.—I want a direction from the Chair in respect of this question. The ex-Deputy Minister seems to suggest that the Government of Mysore is the final authority, but the Chief Minister seems to suggest that it is the Government of India which is the final authority. That being the case, I suggest that the question may be held over for a clear answer.

Mr. SPEAKER.—To that the Chief Minister has already given a reply. There are two kinds of minerals. For one kind of minerals the Government of India gives sanction and for another kind of minerals the State Government gives the permit. In the former category, it is only the approval of this Government that is taken.

Question time is over.

QUESTION FOR ANSWER ON THE DAY

(but not taken up).

Acquisition Proceedings of a Site in Birur Town.

Q.—3789. Sri D. H. RUDRAPPA (Kadur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether there was an acquisition proceeding of a site measuring 50′×60′ in Assessment No. 1579 of Birur town ;

(*b*) the amount of award passed by Land Acquisition Officer at Tarikere ;

(*c*) whether there was an appeal against the award to the District Judge, Shimoga ;

(*d*) the decision thereon ;

(*e*) whether the Birur Municipality preferred an appeal against the decision of the District Judge, Shimoga ?

A.—Sri T. SUBRAMANYA (Minister for Law, Labour and Local Government).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Rs. 1,577-6-0 including statutory allowance.

(*c*) There was a reference to the District Judge, Shimoga, by the Land Acquisition Officer under Section 18 of the Land Acquisition Act against the award at the instance of the party.

(*d*) The compensation was enhanced to Rs. 9,200 including statutory allowances of Rs. 1,200.

(*e*) No, as it was not a party to the award proceedings.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Hon'ble Member Sri Arumugham has made an allegation that he never asked anything about Scheduled Castes in his question. He may come and see his question in my chamber. I will, however, read the question for the benefit of the House. The question is :

(1) "the number of persons fined, suspended or dismissed due to the practice of corruption among the prohibition staff ;

(2) the total number of Gazetted Officers, Ministerial staff and menials and the scheduled castes among them in each department of the State as on 31st December 1956 as against 1st January 1948."

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY (Mysore).—He has written that by force of habit.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have no objection to his writing anything by force of habit, but let him not hang the Department by force of habit.